

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—That is a matter of opinion.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Is it not but right that some allowance should be given to that office in view of the high cost of living in Bangalore?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—That is a matter under consideration.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—May I know why there has been such a long delay from 1st December to 16th February 1953 in transferring an officer to this office?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Exigencies of situation.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—With reference to the answer (e) may I suggest that these cases do not include the cases that have been transferred to the Court of Additional First Class Magistrate, Bangalore?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want notice for that.

Enquiry by the High Court into the alleged complaints against the Second Magistrate of Ramanagaram.

Q.—293. Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Tumkur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any complaint was made against the Second Magistrate of Ramanagaram during the calendar year 1952;

(b) if so, the nature and particulars of the complaint together with the names and descriptions of the complainants;

(c) whether it is a fact that the complaint was entertained by the Law Minister and sent up to the High Court for inquiry;

(d) whether it is a fact that a High Court Judge proceeded to Ramanagaram to investigate the truth of the allegations made in the complaint;

(e) whether it is a fact that none of the various allegations made was substantiated on inquiry;

(f) whether it is a fact that the High Court Judge has suggested to the Government the desirability of prosecuting the complainants for making false charges against the Magistrate;

(g) whether any and if so, what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—(a) to (g) The matter is pending before the High Court of Mysore in certain Contempt of Court proceedings and the entire question is *sub judice*.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—May I know whether certain persons are found guilty by the High Court of Mysore for contempt of court, or whether the question is pending; whether a complaint was made against the magistrate?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The entire question is *sub judice*.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—May I submit with due respect to the Chair that the entire question cannot be *sub judice* because, unless a complaint has been received, it is a question of fact into the merits of which we need not go.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The matter is pending before the High Court.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—What prevents the Government from answering whether a complaint was received or not?

Mr. SPEAKER.—That means in other words a complaint has been received.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—Do I take it that no supplementaries should be put?

Mr. SPEAKER.—I feel so. Under rule 26 (b) it is desirable that I should not allow any supplementary questions.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—Is it a fact that orders have been pronounced by the High Court convicting certain persons for contempt of court?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—The cases in respect of four persons are still pending.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—Have the Government seen orders that have been pronounced by the High Court in respect of certain persons in regard to whom proceedings are complete?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want a direction from the Chair whether I should answer this question or not.

Mr. SPEAKER.—No further supplementaries need be put at this stage so far as this question is concerned.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—All that I asked was whether Government had seen the orders passed by the High Court?

Mr. SPEAKER.—They are unable to say that. Under rule 26 (b) I exercise my powers, and I give a ruling that no further supplementaries need be put at this stage.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—I obey the Chair.

Construction of a building for Girls' Middle School at Chintamani.

Q.—619. Sri M. C. ANJANEYA REDDY (Chintamani).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it was decided by the Municipality to construct a building for the Girls' Middle School at Chintamani on the site in front of Mahila Samaj and that even the plan and estimate therefor have been sanctioned by the Department of Public Works;

(b) whether they are aware of the decision arrived at by the Municipality to take over the site near the bus stand where the basement for

the school building has been put up by paying a compensation of Rs. 1,800 to the Government and that the proposal has been sent to Government for sanction;

(c) whether it has come to their notice that this site near the bus stand has been inspected by the present Education Minister and orally pronounced by him to be unsuited for a girls' school;

(d) the action taken by the Department of Public Works for recovering the abovesaid sum of Rs. 1,800;

(e) whether it has come to the notice of the authorities of the Education Department that much hardship is caused by the absence of a building for the girls' middle school?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The Education Minister visited the spot and expressed that the Municipal Council might carefully consider all aspects of the question and finally express their opinion.

(d) The estimate for Rs. 1,800 was sent by the District Educational Officer, Kolar, to the President, Municipal Council, Chintamani, with a request to credit the amount. The Municipality has not till now paid the compensation though its President was requested to do so more than once by the District Educational Officer. But the President intimated to the District Educational Officer that the financial position of the Municipality does not admit of an expenditure of this kind at present and requested that the building may be constructed on the present basement laid down as it is proposed to change the bus stand from the present place.

(e) Yes. It is since reported that the construction work of the Kannada Girls' Middle School, Chintamani, is taken up and is in progress.